Spread of Kalazar in the Country

†1869. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the spread of Kalazar in the different parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof specially in respect of Bihar; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to check it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Kala-azar is endemic in Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh. As per reports received from the State Health authorities, number of Kala-azar cases and deaths during the last 3 years is enclosed as Statement. *(See* below)

(c) A Centrally Sponsored Kala-azar Control Programme is operative since 1990-91 with the following strategies to control the disease:—

* Interruption of transmission through vector control by undertaking residual insecticidal spraying in affected areas.
* Early diagnosis and complete treatment through Primary Health Care System.
* Health Education and Community participation.

Statement

Details of Kala-azar Cases during the last three years

Sl. No.	Affected States	1999		2000		2001(P)		2002(P)		Reported upto
		Case	Death	Cases	Deaths	Case	Death	Cases	Deaths	
1.	Bihar	11627	277	129.9	130	10327	204	7362	106	August
2.		-	-	469*	0	589	0	517	0	August
3.	West	1091	6	1244	11	1238	4	1137	4	Septembe
4.	Uttar Pradesh	81	5	47	0	22	3	18	1 August	
5.	Imported **Cases** reported from other areas	87	9	84	9	63	2	14	2	Septembe
Total:		12886	297	14753	150	12239	213	9048	113	

(*)=Reported by Bihar
(P)=Provisional

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